## Teddy Bear by Eliz Davis

I designed this teddy bear six or seven years ago in response to a challenge from Dianna Stevens. A cookie cutter provided the basic shape of the design. These instructions will guide you to produce the teddy bear in one "round." The numbers on the left of the instructions match the element number on the picture. Counts are given for each element, but reverse works are omitted and the tatter should refer to the picture to make sure that rings and chains are being produced facing the correct direction. Pay special attention to the two sides of your split rings and reverse the numbers in the instructions if necessary to get your picots in the correct position. You can adapt the bear for any season or holiday by making a holiday apron using some color in the tummy and/or adding a button. I've enclosed some pictures of my Easter Apron Teddy Bear, my Rocking Horse Teddy Bear, and my Independence Day Teddy Bear to get you thinking.

Needed: 2 shuttles, thread of your choice
Completed in size 20 thread, it will measure 8.5 cm tall and 7 cm wide.


1: R 7-5-2, cl.
2: R 2+7-7-2, cl.
3: SR 2+5/7, cl.
4: R 5-5-10, cl.
5: Ch $18+$ to last picot of element 4.
6: Ch 8.
7: R 4-4-4, cl.
8: Ch 8.
9: R 5-5-10, cl.
10: Ch 18+ to last picot of element 9.
11: SR 5-2/7, cl.
12: R 2+ to picot of element 11 7-7-2, cl.
13: SR 2+5/7, cl.
14: Ch 5-10.
15: R 2-2-2-2-2-2, cl.
16: Ch $3+3+2$
17: $2^{\text {nd }}$ shuttle ring of $4+$ (to element 2 ) $2+$ (to element 4) 2-2+ (to element 7) $2, \mathrm{cl}$.
18: continue Ch $2+2$
19: $2^{\text {nd }}$ shuttle ring of $2+$ (to element 7) $2-2+$ (to element 9) $2+$ (to element 12) $2, \mathrm{cl}$.
20: continue Ch $2+3+3+$ (to base of ring)
21: Ch 10-5+ (to element 1)
22: Ch 10
23: Clover R 7+ (to element 21) 5-2, cl. R
2+10-2, cl. R 2+5-7, cl.
24: Ch $9+$ (to last ring of clover)


25: Ch 6
26: R 4+ (to same picot as last join) 8-4, cl.
27: Ch 10
28: R 2-5+ (to element 26) 7, cl.
29: Ch 10

Variation 2 tells you how to produce the look of a festive apron.


39: Ch 5-15+ (to picot of element 34 previously used)
40: Ch $15+$ (to element 39)
41: Ch $25+$ (to picot of element 34 previously used)
42: Ch 20
43: Clover R 7+ (to element 32) 5-2, cl.
R 2+10-2, cl. R 2+12, cl.
44: Ch 38-7+ (to element 30)
45: Ch 7+ (to element 44) 38
46: Clover R 12-2, cl. R 2+10-2, cl. R 2+5+ (to element 28) 7, cl.
47: Ch 20+ (to picot of element 24 previously used)
48: Ch 14-1
49: Ch 15+ (to same picot as element 47)
50: Ch $25+$ (to element 48) Ch 5+ (to element 1). Finish ends as desired.

Variation \#1- Weeping Teddy Bear: The eyes in the diagram are slightly different than the instructions. To make this "weeping" version, just add a picot between the 4 ds (changing the count to 2-2) in elements 17 and 19.

Variation \#2- Teddy Bear With Apron: By working the center of the tummy with a contrasting color you can give the impression the teddy bear is wearing an apron. After completing the head with element 21, drop your working shuttles to the side and add a contrasting shuttle and ball at the join to work elements 22 through 38. Finish off the ends of this contrasting thread. Now pick up your working shuttles at the last join you made after element 21 and work the instructions for 39 to the end. You'll end on the opposite side of the bear than in the diagram having 'flipped' the instructions for the right and left sides of the bear, but it is the simplest way to complete your bear.

